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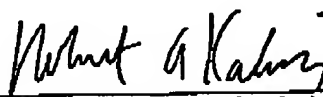
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In response to the non-final Office Action dated August 19, 2005, please consider and enter the amendments and remarks herein.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this paper.

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